TRAVANCORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FOURTH COUNCIL.

(OFFICIAL REPORT).

Wednesday, the 1st July 1931/17th Mithunam 1106.

The Council met in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall, Trivandrum at Twelve Noon of the Clock, being the first day of the meeting of the Fourth Council, pursuant to Section 4 (2) of Regulation II of 1097 and the President, (M. R. Ry. V. S. Subrahmanya Aiyar, Avargal B. A., B. L.) took the Chair.

Mr. E. G. Mc Alpine was absent.

SWEARING IN.

The President first subscribed the oath. The following members were then sworn or affirmed under Rule 22 of the Legislative Council Electoral Rules:—

1. Mr. P. N. Krishna Pillai; (2) Mr. K. P. Abraham; (3) Mrs. Anna Chandi; (4) Mr. L. A. Bishop; (5) Mr. I. C. Chacko; (6) Mr. K. C. Chandi; (7) Mr. S. Chattanatha Karayalar; (8) Mr. A. S. Damodaran Asan; (9) Mr. R. Dhanukoti Pillai; (10) Mr. K. George; (11) Mr. P. Gomatinayakam Pillai; (12) Mr. K. Gopalakrishna Pillai; (13) Mr. M. Govindan; (14) Mr. N. John Joseph; (15) Mr. Joseph Kunju; (16) Mr. K. C. Karunakaran; (17) Mr. K. I. Kocheeppan Mappilla; (18) Mr. K. P. Kochukora Tarakan; (19) Rao Bahadur K. A. Krishna Aiyangar; (20) Mr. K. Krishnan Nayar; (21) Mr. E. V. Krishna Pillai, (22) Mr. N. K. Krishna Pillai; (23) Mr. R. Krishna Pillai; (24) Mr. S. Krishna Pillai; (25) Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai; (26) Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman; (27) Mr. K. Kunjukrishna Pillai; (28) Mr. L. A. Lampard; (29) Mr. C. O. Madhavan; (30) Mr. K. Madhavan Pillai; (31) Mr. K. P. Madhavan Pillai (*Chirayinkil*).

[Mr. K. P. Madhavan Pillai (*Shertallai*) came up for swearing.]

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): I rise to a point of order. Under Rule 22 of part 6 of the Electoral Rules, only a member who is either elected or nominated can be admitted and allowed to take oath here, I wish to know, Sir, whether Mr. K. P. Madhavan Pillai (*Shertallai*) comes as an elected member or as a nominated member. But from what I can see he does not come as a nominated member. So my point is that he should not be allowed to take his oath in the Council.

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PRESIDENT: He comes in as an elected member. Under the law has been declared elected and notified as an elected member and swears as an elected member.

(32) Mr. K. P. Madhavan Pillai (*Shertallai*) was then sworn in The following members were then sworn in:

(33) Mr. M. P. Madhavan Pillai; (34) Mr. M. Mahomed Mustaha; (35) Mr. P. S. Mahomed; (36) Mr. A. Narayana Pillai; (37) Mr. K. Narayanaperumal Nadar; (38) Mr. R. Nilakanta Pillai; (39) Mr. K. Padmanabha Panikkar; (40) Mr. Kayalam Parameswaran Pillai; (41) Dr. K. Raman Tampi; (42) Mr. Rama Varma Raja; (43) Mr. R. S. Subrahmanya Pillai: (44) Mr. N. A. Sundaram Pillai; (45) Mr. A. Thanu Pillai; (46) Mr. O. M. Thomas; (47) Mr. C. N. Tuppan Namputiripad; (48) Mr. R. Vaidyalingom Pillai; and (49) Mr. J. S. Westerdale.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT OF THE BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Sir, since no questions are to be asked and answered at this stage, I beg leave to make a motion for the adjournment of the business of the House.

(He then presented a written statement of the subject matter of the motion to the President.)

DEWAN'S ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

PRESIDENT: Members of the Legislative Council, under command of Her Highness the Maha Rani Regent I have very great pleasure in welcoming you. I am glad to see among you some old, familiar faces, because that induces immediately a sentiment of comradeship in our minds based upon the memory of good work done together.

This is the Fourth Council constituted under Regulation II of 1097. The life of this Council so constituted has been short because it has functioned for nine years only. There has not, it may be said, been time enough for traditions to be established, as traditions take long to take root and grow. But within this short time this Council has established sound and healthy conventions and has earned for itself a reputation for level-headedness and for earnest devotion to duty; that is to say, an earnest endeavour to get work in the interests of the State done. With brotherly co-operation and working together in the spirit of the oath which we have all just taken, I am sure, that this Council will be able to maintain and enhance its reputation and to achieve much in the interests and for the benefit of the State.

RAO BAHADUR K. A. KRISHNA AIYANGAR (*Nominated, Deputy President*): Mr. President, it is customary on an occasion like this –

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): I rise to a point of order. I wish to submit that a ruling on the adjournment motion has to be given before we proceed.

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